

RESOLUTION NO. 19
SERIES 2003

**DECLARING GUNNISON CITY COUNCIL’S STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH
COLORADO REVISED STATUTES 31-23-206(5), CONCERNING THE MANDATORY
ADOPTION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT MASTER PLANS.**

WHEREAS, in the Second Extraordinary Session of 2001, the Colorado General Assembly adopted 31-23-206(5) C.R.S., requiring certain municipalities and counties to adopt master plans, also known as comprehensive plans, for the development of their communities; and

WHEREAS, 31-23-206(5) C.R.S. also requires that each such plan contain a “recreational and tourism element,” pursuant to which the municipality “shall indicate how it intends to provide for the recreational and tourism needs of the residents of the municipality and visitors to the municipality through delineated areas dedicated to, without limitation, hiking, mountain biking, rock climbing, skiing, cross country skiing, rafting, fishing, boating, hunting, and shooting, or any other form of sports or other recreational activity as applicable, and commercial facilities supporting such uses;” and

WHEREAS, the City of Gunnison adopted a master plan, entitled, City of Gunnison Master Plan on May 11, 1994; and;

WHEREAS, the City of Gunnison adopted a master plan, entitled Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan in December, 1996; and

WHEREAS, the City addresses the recreation and tourism requirement of 31-23-206(5) C.R.S. in these plans; and

WHEREAS, the City’s Master Plan addresses the recreation and tourism requirement of 31-23-206(5) C.R.S. in the following manner:

- Chapter III, Historical, Cultural and Social Resources, “Include the Pioneer Museum organization in the City’s marketing efforts to bring local and statewide notoriety to the museum, increase visitor trips to the museum and enhance the overall attractiveness of Gunnison to visitors.”; “Continue and expand offerings through the Recreation Department which will provide social opportunities for people of all ages.”; and “Develop expanded recreation and multi-purpose facilities to meet the needs of the community.”
- Chapter IV, Economic Development, “ Seek a broad, diversified economy, while mitigating potential land use conflicts, with the primary sectors being retail/wholesale, high technology, education, tourism, telecommuting, recreation and service businesses.”; “Maximize the use of the Gunnison County Airport as an economic asset for supporting the visitor and business traveler.”; “Continue to coordinate the City’s tourism marketing and business development efforts with such entities as the Gunnison Lodging Tax Panel, the Chamber of Commerce, and Gunnison Retail Council, and the Gunnison Valley Economic Development Corporation.”; “Continue existing and/or develop new programs such as the Challenge Grant Program as a way to stimulate events, attractions and community happenings as a means to attract visitors and generate sales tax.”; “Ensure adequate parking (including off-street and that needed for recreational vehicles)”;
- “Collaborate with the historical preservation entities in the Gunnison Valley to market heritage tourism. Include heritage related businesses in any future targeted industry study and action plan.”; and “Attract and support options for a public multi-purpose recreation center.”
- Chapter VI, Parks and Recreation section of the City of Gunnison Master Plan; in its entirety.
- Chapter X, Transportation, “Capitalize on the fly-in market population in conjunction with tourism development strategies so that fly-in visitors stay in Gunnison.”; “Implement multi-modal, non-motorized bike/pedestrian ways for alternate transportation forms in future roadway planning as a healthy, non-polluting alternative to motor vehicles.”; “Develop and implement a comprehensive bikeway and pedestrian plan for an

inter-city and intra-city regional network. The plan should include routes, design characteristics, bikeway function and potential funding sources.”; “Secure public easements, rights-of-ways, land dedications or other mechanisms to establish a Gunnison River/Tomichi Creek Greenway along the Gunnison River and Tomichi Creek linking with the Van Tuyl property, and ultimately establishing a linkage from North Bridge to McCabe Lane.”; “Promote public/private cooperation or partner ships to develop Hartman’s Rocks as biking and recreational facility.”; “Promote bicycle use, safety, and rule awareness through educational programs and law enforcement.”; and “Identify areas suitable for RV parking in the City, adequately sign them, and promote their use.”

- Chapter XIII, Regional and Interorganizational Relations, “Coordinate tourism marketing efforts with other organizations such as the Chamber of Commerce, Gunnison Business Association, Gunnison Lodging Tax Panel, Gunnison Lodging Associations, Crested Butte Mountain Resort, Southwest Travel Regions and others.”

WHEREAS, this information provided in the City’s existing plans describes how the City intends to provide for the recreational and tourism needs of both residents of and visitors to the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Gunnison, Colorado, that:

The City hereby finds and declares that it is in compliance with the requirements of 31-23-206(5) C.R.S. requiring a recreation and tourism element in its master or comprehensive plan.

INTRODUCED, READ, PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council this 11th day of November, 2003

Mayor

(SEAL)

City Clerk